

October 2009
CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

There were 66 accidents that occurred in October 2009. This is a 43.5% increase from last month's 46 accidents. There was only one fatal crash, resulting in one person killed. There was one accident involving an impaired driver. This is one more than in September 2009. Of the 66 accidents, 15 or 22.7% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in nine, or 60%, of those accidents. Eleven of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity did not change as compared to September 2009 with 2,741 total violations issued. Speed violations decreased by 188 citations, or 11.9% from the prior month. Hazardous moving violations decreased by three citations, or 2.7% from the prior month. Occupant restraint violations increased by 26 citations, or 11.7% compared to September 2009. There were 44 arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash during October. This is the same as compared to September 2009 and an increase of twenty, or 83.3% from October 2008.

Commercial vehicle inspections increased by 1.6%, or 11 inspections over September 2009. Enforcement activity decreased by 0.2% compared to September 2009. There were two less safety violations written in October than in September 2009. There was a 16.2% increase, or 19 more citations, in cited safety violations from September 2009. There were 44 vehicles and 16 drivers placed, "out of service" in October 2009. Vehicles placed out of service increased by 29.4%, or ten compared to September 2009. Drivers placed out of service decreased by 33.3%, or eight compared to September 2009. Traffic personnel conducted 363 inspections during October. This is a decrease of 18.6%, or 71 less inspections than in September 2009.

Front office personnel showed an increase of 38.3% from September's accident reports processed. Arrest reports processed decreased 31.4%, or 27 compared to September 2009. Incident reports processed also decreased by five, or 62.5% compared to September 2009. The Communications Center radio transmissions increased significantly by 59.9% compared to September 2009. CAD incidents and telephone calls increased by 50.7% and 87.7% respectively from the prior month.



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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	October-09		Same period prior year	% Change		Prior Month	% Change
Total Crashes	66		74	-10.8%		46	43.5%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	58		49	18.4%		34	70.6%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	7		22	-68.2%		11	-36.4%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1		3	-66.7%		1	0.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	1		2	-50.0%		0	100.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1		3	-66.7%		1	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1		1	0.0%		1	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	15		17	-11.8%		10	50.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	13		13	0.0%		9	44.4%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		4	-75.0%		1	0.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		0	100.0%		0	100.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 1.5%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 1.5%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 22.7%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Accidents were up 20 from September for a 43.5% increase. There were eight fewer crashes than the previous year for a 10.8% decrease.
- There was one DUI crash for the month of October. This reflects a 100% increase from the previous month but a 50% decrease from the previous year.
- There was only one fatal crash in October that involved a commercial motor vehicle. This is same as the previous month but two, or 66.7% less than the previous year.

There were 15 accidents involving commercial motor vehicles during the month of October. This is an increase of five accidents or 50% from the previous month but two less, or 11.8% than the previous year. The 15 accidents accounted for 22.7% of the total accidents in the Command. Of the 15 accidents, nine were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. There were two accidents involving a commercial vehicle in which the passenger vehicle driver was found to be at fault. Eleven of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80. The remaining four occurred on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	October-09		Same period prior year	% Change		Prior Month	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	1		2	-50.0%		0	100.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	44		24	83.3%		44	0.0%
Other Arrests	233		125	86.4%		198	17.7%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	83		64	29.7%		94	-11.7%
Speed violations	1392		1306	6.6%		1580	-11.9%
Hazardous moving violations	110		129	-14.7%		113	-2.7%
Occupant restraint violations *	248		178	39.3%		222	11.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	2741		2561	7.0%		2741	0.0%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	110		31	254.8%		83	32.5%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	98		15	553.3%		25	292.0%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	701		459	52.7%		690	1.6%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	7		0	700.0%		0	700.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	136		77	76.6%		117	16.2%
Total safety violations -- repair order	834		537	55.3%		836	-0.2%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	44		32	37.5%		34	29.4%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	16		13	23.1%		24	-33.3%
Total school buses inspected	57		2	2750.0%		81	-29.6%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	21		0	2100.0%		12	75.0%
Total trucks weighed	735		1493	-50.8%		407	80.6%
Total overweight citations	22		15	46.7%		8	175.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	606		436	39.0%		673	-10.0%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Total violations remained the same compared to September 2009.
- Speed enforcement was down from September 2009 by 188 violations for an 11.9% decrease. Hazardous moving violations decreased by three or 2.7% compared to September 2009. Occupant restraint violations did increase by 26, or 11.7% from the previous month and from the previous year by 70 or 39.3%.
- There were 44 DUI arrests prior to crashes. This is the same as the prior month. This is an 83.3% increase, or 20 more arrests, than the previous year. The average reported BAC for impaired drivers for August was .162.

- Commercial vehicle inspections increased by 11 safety inspections or 1.6% compared to September 2009. Inspections increased greatly by 242, or 52.7% compared to the previous year. Total violations were down slightly by two, or 0.2% compared to September but greatly increased 297, or 55.3% compared to the previous year. There was a 16.2% increase, or 19 violations, in cited safety violations compared to September 2009. There were 16 drivers and 44 vehicles placed out of service. Drivers placed out of service decreased by eight, or 29.4% compared to September. Vehicles placed out of service decreased 29.4%, or by ten compared to September. There was an increase of 328 or 80.6%, in the number of trucks weighed as compared to September. Trucks weighed decreased by 758 or 50.8% compared to October 2008. During October, Central Command Commercial troopers produced 208 hazardous moving citations, traffic citations or traffic related arrests in addition to their commercial inspections.
- Of the 735 trucks weighed during October by Commercial enforcement personnel, 89 were weighed on secondary roadways during 247.8 hours of team oriented, directed enforcement. This is an average of one truck being weighed every 2.78 hours while on high intensity, directed enforcement.
- MCSAP AA II Suzana Ayala certified 452 commercial vehicle inspections and entered 352 hand written commercial vehicle inspections during October. Additionally, she entered 23 commercial vehicle accidents into SafetyNet for other commands.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
October-09	363	114	286	18	11	258	0
October-08	306	95	257	16	7	248	0
% Change	18.6%	20.0%	11.3%	12.5%	57.1%	4.0%	200.0%

October-09	363	114	286	18	11	258	0
September-09	434	92	267	18	5	348	2
% Change	-16.4%	23.9%	7.1%	0.0%	120.0%	-25.9%	-100.0%

- Traffic operations personnel conducted 363 level 2/3 inspections during October. This was a decrease of 16.4% compared to September 2009. There was an increase of 23.9% in repair orders compared to last month. One-hundred, fourteen citations were issued for safety violations. This is a 23.9% increase from last month's 92 citations issued. There were 286 repair orders issued during the inspections with 11 vehicles and 18 drivers being placed out of service. Vehicles placed out of service increased by six, or 120% compared to September 2009. Drivers placed out of service remained the same compared to September 2009.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	October-09		October-08	% Change		September-09	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	67701		57224	18.3%		42344	59.9%
CAD incidents	6069		7638	-20.5%		4028	50.7%
Telephone Calls	8043		7755	3.7%		4284	87.7%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	65		86	-24.4%		47	38.3%
Arrest Reports Processed	59		48	22.9%		86	-31.4%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	3		5	-40.0%		8	-62.5%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	235		320	-26.6%		276	-14.9%
Warrants Entered	235		247	-4.9%		339	-30.7%
Warrants Cleared	1029		194	430.4%		224	359.4%
Warrants Validated	1394		0	139400.0%		1352	3.1%
Extradition / Transports	4		7	-42.9%		2	100.0%

Contract Service overtime was 226.3 hours during seven escorts totaling \$18,324.69.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Contract services revenue was up in October compared to September by \$8,040.33.
- Communications Center radio transmissions experienced 59.9% increase from the previous month and 18.3% from the previous year.
- Front Office personnel processed 38.3% more accident reports than the previous month. The number of processed arrest decreased by 31.4% compared to last month. Incident reports decreased 62.5% compared to the previous month and 40% compared to the previous year.
- The Court/Warrant Unit work experienced a decrease in warrants received and warrants entered but showed increases in warrants cleared and warrants validated compared to September. This is the same when compared to the prior year.

PERSONNEL

Public Safety Dispatcher PSD I Janielle Dinkins began her career with the Department on October 19, 2009. She has begun her dispatch training. Administrative Assistant III Donna Bryant accepted a position in court warrants on October 7, 2009. She will begin her career with the Department on November 2, 2009.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

During the month of October, Trooper Stewart presented a pedestrian crosswalk safety class for 120 students at Headstart School in Elko and in Wells. He presented four DUI classes for approximately 1,000 Barrick mine employees and members of the press. Trooper Stewart completed a presentation on texting and cell phone usage while driving for approximately 600 juniors and seniors of the Elko High School for National Teen Driving Safety Week. Trooper Stewart also attended a booth at the Elko Convention Center for Trick or Treat Street.

AIR OPERATIONS

The Central Command Aircraft flew 39.1 hours, completing eleven missions during October. There were five speed enforcement mission flown for October. On October 1, the Central Command aircraft was utilized to support the statewide Badge on Board Operation. The aircraft spent 5.7 hours over the enforcement area that day and the activity was as follows: 50 speeding citations, four hazardous moving citations, eight non-hazardous moving citations and three safety belt citations.

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	170
Hazardous	16
Non-Hazardous	29
Seat belt	5
Arrests	1

One arrest was made of a driver for driving under the influence, possession of a controlled substance and other drug related charges. Two missions were flown for line patrol for a total of 4.1 hours. Five motorists were assisted during the month's air missions. The high speed for the month was a Dodge sedan at 101 mph west of Winnemucca, Nevada.